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SUBJECT: CUBA

REF: BRASILIA 6447

1. PLEASE TRANSMIT TO ME ASAP THE INFORMATION REQUESTED
IN PARAGRAPH 5(B) REFTEL CONCERNING THE UPDATED USG ESTIMATE
OF THE POSITIONS OF INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES ON THE CUBAN
QUESTION.

2. I AM BEING SUBJECTED TO UNUSUAL PRESSURE FROM THE
FOREIGN MINISTER'S OFFICE FOR THIS INFORMATION AND FROM NATURE
OF PERSISTENT INQUIRIES IT IS CLEAR THAT FOREIGN MINISTER IS NOW
TRYING TO ESTABLISH GOB POSITION, WHICH WAS ONE OF OBJECTIVES OF
MY REQUEST FOR INFORMATION. IT ALSO APPEARS THAT THE FOREIGN
MINISTER IS BECOMING NERVOUS ABOUT PRESS REPORTS SUGGESTING
"SOFTENING" OF USG POSITION. THIS CONCERN CAN ONLY BE INCREASED
BY REPORTS IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS OF RABASA MEETING WITH SECRETARY
KISSINGER AND PRESIDENT FORD.

3. I BELIEVE WE RUN SOME RISK OF CREATING SUSPICION WITHIN
GOB OF WHAT WE ARE ABOUT IF WE CONTINUE TO DELAY TRANSMITTAL
OF RATHER STRAIGHTFORWARD INFORMATION FOREIGN MINISTER SILVEIRA
SEEKS. IN LIGHT OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES AND OUR INABILITY
TO EXPLAIN THE DELAY IN RECEIVING THE INFORMATION, THERE IS ALSO
SOME DANGER THAT THE GOB POSITION WILL BE ESTABLISHED
UNILATERALLY.

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